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IN REPLY REFER TO: 5720

DON-USMC-2018-005152

19 Mar 18

SENT VIA EMAIL TO: keary@gentexcorp.com

Gentex Corporation Ms. Kathryn Eary 324 Main Street Simpson, PA 18407

SUBJECT: FOIA DON-USMC-2018-005152

Dear Ms. Eary:

This responds to your FOIA requested dated March 6, 2018, which requests a contract M67854-09-D-3060.

FOIA Exemption 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4) exempts from disclosure (i) voluntarily submitted commercial or financial information provided that the submitter does not "customarily" disclose the information to the public and provided that disclosure would be likely to interfere with the continued and full availability of the information to the government, or (ii) information likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the person from whom it was obtained and likely to impact on the government's ability to obtain reliable information in the future. See Critical Mass Energy Project v. NRC, 975 F2d 871, 879-80 (D.C. Cir. 1992), cert. denied, 113 S. Ct. 1579 (1993); National Parks & Conservation Ass'n v. Morton, 498 F2d 765, 766 (D.C. Cir. 1974); Canadian Commercial Corp. v. Dept. of Air Force, 514 F.3d 37 (D.C. Cir., 2008).

In an effort to minimize further delay we request that you review the enclosures and identify any withheld information that you believe was withheld improperly. MARCORSYSCOM will then determine whether the release of any requested information is proper under the FOIA and provide any additional releasable information in a "final release" letter. If we do not receive any notification from you, which specifically requests the release of any redacted information by April 6, 2018, this letter will become the final response and we will close this FOIA request.

As of March 19, 2018, one hour of search and review (currently billed at \$48 per hour) has been expended during the processing of

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your request. Please remit a check or money order, payable to the Treasurer of the United States in the amount of \$48.00 to: COMMANDER, ATTN LAW, MARCORSYSCOM, 2200 LESTER STREET, SUITE 120, QUANTICO VA 22134-5010.

In view of the above, you may consider this to be an adverse determination that may be appealed. Since you have created an account in FOIAonline, you may submit an appeal directly within the web-based system. To do this, you would log in to your account, retrieve your original request, and then click on the "Create Appeal" tab in the left-hand column. The basic information from your request will be duplicated for you, and then you can type in the basis of your appeal. If you prefer to use regular mail, you may submit an appeal to the Judge Advocate General (Code 14), 1322 Patterson Avenue SE, Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066. Your appeal, if any, must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and should include a copy of your initial request, a copy of this letter, and a statement indicating why you believe your appeal should be granted. I recommend that your appeal and its envelope both bear the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal".

You also have the right to seek assistance and/or dispute resolution services from the Marine Corps FOIA Public Liaison, Ms. Sally Hughes, at https://new.mil.nd/ or (703) 614-4008, and/or the Department of the Navy FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) for assistance and/or dispute resolution at ogis@nara.gov or 1-877-684-6448. For more information online about services provided by OGIS, please visit their website at https://ogis.archives.gov.

Any questions concerning this matter should be directed to Mrs. Bobbie Cave at (703) 432-3934 or bobbie.cave@usmc.mil.

Sincerely,

LISA L. BAKER

Counsel